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From SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

U R G E N T E N C O D E

To: SAC, DETROIT

SF SEVENTEEN FORTY DASH S, ACTIVE INFORMANT SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE, WHO IS A CLOSE
ACQUAINTANCE OF WALTER REUTHER, REQUESTED SAN FRANCISCO THIS DATE TO DETERMINE
REUTHER'S RESIDENCE ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER IN DETROIT. DETROIT REQUESTED
TO SUEL THIS DATE THIS INFORMATION. INFORMATION BELIEVED TO FURTHER SF SEVENTEEN
FORTY'S IMPORTANCE IN CP THIS AREA.

WILLIAM M. WHELAN,
SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

MMD:do

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(This information requested by SA R. H. NELSON and results should be furnished him
this date as informant will contact him in the PM.)

*Not furnished to SA 174-13
see ser. 201.
Nelson*

Approved: *[Signature]*

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

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Per *[Signature]*

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SAC, San Francisco (100-9538)

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SA MICHAEL W. NELSON

ALLEN ISAACSEN
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Following is a portion of a written report received 3/29/56 from [redacted] and filed in [redacted]. It refers to the CP's discussion of the possible candidacy of ALLEN ISAACSEN in the Democratic primaries for Assemblyman, 18th District of California. This portion of the report reads as follows:

"Last evening Elliot Wilson came over to ask me when he could see in the city to talk to about the idea of running Allen Isaacson in the primaries against Vacher or what ever his name is from San Jose State. The county com had turned thumbs down on the idea. Not the county com, but the county democratic caucus I guess it would be called. He wanted me to drive to the city with Karl Prussis and him. The idea being to see [redacted] or Oleta. I told him that I thought Louisa would be the one for him to see. He tried to get Ed Rose or Carl Manning to go but they too were unable to go. I haven't heard whether he went."

Informant advised that reference to Oleta is to Oleta Yates, a member of the State Board of the CP.

Informant furnished other information covered in separate memoranda.

Recommendation: No investigation.

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100-30169 ELLIOT WILSON

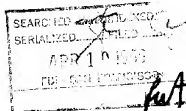
100-25347 Political Activities

134-7 KARL PRUSSISIAN

100-28711 [redacted]

61-114 OLETA YATES

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FD-221a
(3-10-55)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/BAW/SAB/DF

CITY San Francisco, Calif.

DATE 3/5/56

Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, San Francisco

One hundred twenty-five dollars, and no cents,

(\$ 125.00), which money is to be paid by me on 3/5/56

to SF 1740-S

for information concerning the case entitled

CP USA: IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: Richard H. Nelson
Bulet 11/25/55
SFlet 1/19/56
Special Agent

Authority (Date)

Period Covered by Payment 2/1-29/56

Authorization Checked Em

Check Number 514-13

Receipts Received yes

Voucher Prepared 3/15/56 Item 4

APPROVED:

J.M. Sheehan

SAC

Informant's File No. 134-7

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

(Att. Clippard) 134-7

DATE:

3/27/56

FROM : SA

R. H. Nelson

SUBJECT:

S. I. 134-7

C.I. _____

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(S.I. _____)

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DATES OF CONTACT: 3/15/56, 3/26/56, 3/27/56

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

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PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

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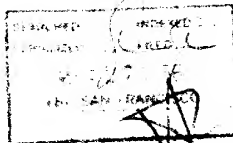
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SF (100-3730) DATE: 3/15/56
FROM : SA RICHARD H. NELSON (S-1)
SUBJECT: SANTA CLARA COUNTY
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[] 2/24/56 3/1/56 RICHARD H.
NELSON
(written) []

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The following is a written report of a meeting
of the leadership of the CP, Santa Clara County held on
the above date at 2130 Staunton Court, Palo Alto.

"Feb. 28th., '56

"Feb. 24 meeting held to consider the organizational problems
of Palo Alto was attended by Elizabeth Nicholas, []

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[] Francis Fink, [] and []

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There was a thorough discussion of the group composition
so that [] and Francis could have an idea of the Palo
Alto membership. [] felt that entirely too many members

ccs:

100-1418 Elizabeth Nicholas

100-5867 [] b6

100-22198 Francis Fink b7C

100-29725 [] b7D

100-35134 []

100-33837 PAPA

100-27747 Organization

100-20108 Harvey Richards

100-30789 []

100-33801 Doris Dawson

134-7 Karl Prussian

100-1346 Isaac Folkoff

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"were in the Peace Club. He did not think it was very important that it would be much better to become active in other organizations like churches or the WIL or the League of women voters etc. We are to go to the city this Saturday to meet with some one from the state to discuss the set up further. We are trying to find who might take [redacted] place and who might be added so far we have not come up with any bright ideas. Elizabeth mentioned that someone from the State had mentioned that Harvey Richards should take a more active part here. So far as I know he is not back yet.

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"Thursday I am to go with [redacted] to see Mary Wilson in connection with [redacted] again! Then we are to see Doris. Elizabeth said that Doris phoned her the other nite and over the phone mentioned that Karl Prussian would not be able to pick her and Ike Folkoff up. And one is not supposed to call over the phone and mention names so I guess Doris is in for it.

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"On the 7th there is to be a captains meeting I am not sure where yet. It is to decide what to do in connection with the meeting of the 24th. and next Saturday."

Informant orally described the group meeting above as the executive committee of the CP, Santa Clara County and stated that the discussion was of the "group composition" meaning the composition of the various CP clubs in the county. Informant noted that the reference of [redacted] to the "peace club" was to the Palo Alto Peace Club and that he devoted some time to disparagement of the Palo Alto Peace Club and urged that CP members be withdrawn from the club and made active in other mass organizations.

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Reference to [redacted] is to [redacted] who wants to be removed from the County Executive Committee because

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she has taken full time employment at Stanford University.

Reference to DORIS is to DORIS DAWSON who has been seen [redacted] who was expelled about a year ago with a non-association clause.

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The next to last paragraph of this report, informant explained, indicates another violation of Party instructions by DORIS DAWSON in lack of security in phoning PRUSSIAN and mentioning FOLKOFF's name on the telephone.

The last paragraph refers to a "captains meeting" and informant explained this is a meeting of the leaders of each of the five Palo Alto CP clubs.

Informant had no further information at this time.

Recommendation: no action.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-3730) DATE: February 23,
1956

FROM : SA RICHARD H. NELSON (S-1)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, SANTA
CLARA COUNTY
IS - C

The following written report was received Feb- b7D
ruary 19, 1956 from [REDACTED] by SA RICHARD H. NELSON
and is filed in [REDACTED]. According to the
informant it is the complete registration for the five
CP clubs in the Palo Alto area of Santa Clara County.

The report reads as follows:

REM:bjn
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1 - 100-35794 (CENTRUE ADLER)	: Searched _____ Indexed _____
1 - 100-24017 (FRANK SCHNEIDER)	: Serialized _____ Filed _____
1 - 100-27491 (ALLEN ROSS)	: FEBRUARY 23, 1956
1 - 100-23395 (MARY ROSS)	: FBI - SAN FRANCISCO
1 - 100-35132 [REDACTED]	: [REDACTED]
1 - 100-35372 (ANN STALLINGS)	
1 - 100-36483 [REDACTED]	1 - 100-1416 (ELIZ. NICHOLAS)
1 - 100-27054 [REDACTED]	1 - 100-39293 (ELLE ROSS)
1 - 100-40353 [REDACTED]	1 - 100-33765 (ED CENNEY)
1 - 100-41190 [REDACTED]	1 - 100-27438 (ISOBEL CENNEY)
1 - 100-34771 (GELSIE BECKS)	1 - 100-9884 (NOLLAND ROBERTS)
1 - 100-35053 (HELEN MANNING)	1 - 100-20103 (HARVEY RICHARDS)
1 - 100-36705 (ED ROSS)	1 - 100-24948 (MIKE SHAPOVALOV)
1 - 100-10881 [REDACTED]	1 - 100-34164 (MARY SHAPOVALOV)
1 - 100-32403 (CARL MANNING)	1 - 100-27747 (CP ORGANIZATION)
1 - 100-35134 [REDACTED]	
1 - 100-30169 (ELLIOT WILSON)	
1 - 100-31626 [REDACTED]	
1 - 100-23956 [REDACTED]	
1 - 100-33524 (MARY WILSON)	
1 - 100-9538 (ALLEN ISAKSEN)	
1 - 100-31466 (ED BECKS)	
1 - 100-16351 (WALTER HARTU)	
1 - 100-1346 (IKE FOLKOFF)	
1 - 100-33801 (DOUGLAS DAWSON)	
1 - 134-7 (KARL PRUSSIAN)	

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REH:bjn

"February 15th, '56

"The club membership in Palo Alto according to the '56
registration is as follows

Palo Alto Club

GERTHIE ADLER
FRANK SCHNEIDER
ALLEN ROSS
MARY ROSS
[REDACTED]

Chair.

Trade Union Club

MARY WILSON Chair.
ALLEN ISAKSEN
ED BECKS
WALTER HARJU
IKE POLKOFF
DORIS DAWSON
KARL PRUSSIAN
ELIZABETH NICHOLS
DELL ROSS

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East Palo Alto

[REDACTED]

Chair.

GELSIE BECKS
HELEN MANNING

Prof. Club

ED CERNEY Chair.
ISODEL CERNEY
HOLLAND ROBERTS
HARVEY RICHARDS
MIKE SHIMPOVALOV
MARY SHIMPOVALOV

Democratic Club

ED ROSS

Chair.

[REDACTED]
CARL MANNING
[REDACTED]
ELLIOT WILSON

"There are two transfers to be placed
[REDACTED]

"/s/

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All of the above are on the Security Index.

RECOMMENDATION:

NONE.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-3730) DATE: 2/28/56

FROM : SA RICHARD H. NELSON (S-1)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY SANTA CLARA COUNTY
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2/13/56 2/19/56 RICHARD H.
NELSON

The following is a written report received from informant. The first paragraph concerns information received by the informant indicating that PHIL and ESTHER GARDNER were members of the Communist Party as recently as 1955, according to informant's oral explanation. The rest of the report concerns the activities of the Santa Clara County Executive Committee of the Communist Party. The report reads as follows:

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cc's:

1 - [redacted]
1 - 100-21680 [redacted]
1 - 100-27438 (ISOBEL CERNEY)
1 - 100-6623 (PHIL GARDNER)
1 - 100-20507 (ESTHER GARDNER)
1 - 100-35053 (ESTHER GARDNER)
1 - 100-35134 [redacted]
1 - 100-29725 [redacted]
1 - 100-35979 [redacted]
1 - 100-37152 [redacted]
1 - 100-5867 [redacted]
1 - 100-1418 (ELIZ. NICHOLAS)
1 - 100-22198 (FRANCIS FINK)
1 - 100-26419 [redacted]
1 - 100-27926 [redacted]
1 - 134-7 (KARL PRUSSTAN)
1 - 100-33524 [redacted]
1 - 100-9538 (ALLEN ISAKSEN)
1 - 100-33837 (FAPC)
1 - 97-27 (DPW)

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"Feb. 16th. '56

"Several months ago while talking to [] and Isobel Corney at the home of [] told Isobel that she had been out of touch with the Party for over six months. She asked Isobel what had happened to Esther and Phil Gardner who she said had been in her group in Redwood City. The Gardners are now in Palo Alto but to my knowledge have not been picked up by the Party here.

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"Monday evening the 13th of Feb. the county com. met at [] Those present were Helen Manning, [] (Ford Worker), [] Elizabeth Nicholas, [] and [] Excused because of an important Democratic club meeting was [] Helen Manning reported that there will be a meeting on Friday the 17th at Karl Prussian's home in Los Altos. [] is to be the speaker and it is almost a must for party members.

"The question of []'s request for a leave was taken up and granted for six months with the condition that he contact the party once a month for literature and to pay his dues. He is planning to sell his place in Cupertino and move to Gilroy. I do not know if he will come back on the county com. or not.

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"There is to be an executive com. (another name was used but it is the same idea) It is a group of four, Elizabeth, [], [], and [] [] nominated [] for the com. in recognition of his outstanding work!! (to me he has referred to [] as 'that eager beaver'). [] is to act on this com. and the county until he gets more acquainted with the county then he will I think be the chairman. Meanwhile [] is acting chairman.

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"On Friday the 24th the ex. com. (Elizabeth, [] etc. are to meet at my place to discuss organizational problems with [] and me and any others whom we think should be there. Then I believe we are to take up the org. prob. with the State. San Jose has now been organized into just two clubs.

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"/s/

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SAC, SF (100-3730)
RHN:bjn

The above county committee meeting was held at 2130 Staunton Court in Palo Alto, according to the informant.

The second paragraph of the report sets forth that a meeting is to be held 2/17/56 at KARL PRUSSIAN's home. PRUSSIAN lives at 500 Hawthorne in Los Altos.

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The third paragraph discusses [redacted]. According to informant, [redacted] has wanted to drop his office of secretary or acting organizer of the CP, Santa Clara County, for a long time. He has asked for and obtained a six month leave from the CP. At present he is not assigned to a CP club to the knowledge of informant and informant does not believe he will continue as a member of the county committee. Informant had no information indicating defection from the CP on the part of [redacted].

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Informant explained the fourth paragraph as follows: Within the county executive committee there is to be a smaller group operating as a secretariat to be comprised of ELIZABETH NICHOLAS, [redacted] FRANCIS FINK and [redacted]. It was informant's opinion that [redacted] is to serve on this secretariat as well as on the executive committee until he knows the part of the county better and that thereafter he will take over as chairman. [redacted] is meanwhile acting chairman. The next meeting of this secretariat is to occur February 24, 1956 at [redacted] in Palo Alto. The last line of this report notes that the San Jose section of the CP, Santa Clara County, has now been organized into two CP clubs.

Furnished with this report and filed in the same place were the following:

- (1) Invitation to a CEDC benefit to be held 2/25/56 at 816 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto (home of ALLEN ISAKSEN). Informant's note on this invitation reflects that this is a benefit given by MARY WILSON's CP club.
- (2) A PAPC meeting to be held 2/27/56 at 8:00 p.m. at the South Palo Alto Library. It is to be addressed by Rev. STEPHEN FRITCHMAN and sponsored by PAPC. He will talk on "Under the Canopy of Peace" described as a discussion of some of the contradictions found in our American policy today..."

MEMO SAC, SF (100-3730)
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(3) A memo dated 2/15/56 announcing that the PW for 2/10/56 had as the lead article "Mass Lobby In Capitol, Civil Rights Plan Set For Congress." The memo complained that this mass mobilization was getting little publicity in any but the progressive press. The memo noted that it contained a long list of supporting organizations and suggested that all club members read the article carefully so that in their mass work they could take full advantage of every possibility for publicity concerning this mobilization. Informant's note on this memo mentioned that the county committee of the CP had informant write and mimeograph these to give out to the CP clubs. It is noted that this is an excellent illustration of the use of the DPW for the Party to formulate the CP line.

(4) A note in the handwriting of [redacted] concerning the DPW. The original is being retained in informant's file and a photographic copy is being made for [redacted]'s file as a specimen of his handwriting. b6 b7C

The above documents have been appropriately identified by informant.

RECOMMENDATION:
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (Act. Clifford) 134-7

DATE: 2/27/56

FROM : SA R.H. Adams

SUBJECT: SF 1740-3

C.I. _____ P.C.I. _____ S.I. _____ P.S.I. _____

DATES OF CONTACT: 2/1/56, 2/1/56, 2/15/56, 2/27/56

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

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PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

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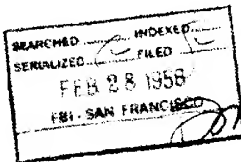
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DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/BAW/SAB/DF

CITY San Francisco, Calif.

DATE 2/1/56

Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, San Francisco

One hundred twenty-five dollars, and no cents,

(\$ 125.00), which money is to be paid by me on 2/1/56

to SF 1740-S

for information concerning the case entitled _____

OP USA: IS-C SF 100-11869

Signed: Robert H. Miller
Special Agent

Authority (Date) Bulet 11/25/56

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Receipts Received yes

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APPROVED:

W. M. Sheehan
SAC

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SAC (100-33637)

2/16/56

SA TROY F. WILDER

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SOURCE	DATE & DESC. OF ACTIVITY	DATE REQ'D	ACT. TO WHOM FURNISHED	FILE WHERE LOCATED
[REDACTED]	Meeting of Executive Bd. Palo Alto Peace Club, held 1/20/56, 1891 LaDonna, Palo Alto, Calif.	2/2/56	(w) TROY F. WILDER	[REDACTED]

The report is as follows:

"Redwood City
"January 20, 1956

"This evening I attended a meeting the Executive
committee of the Palo Alto Peace club at the home
of Valada Bryant, more exactly the home of Dr. and
Mrs. Holland Roberts on La Donna Drive in South Palo
Alto.

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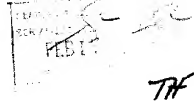
"Among those present in addition to Valada Bryant
were:-

[REDACTED] (recording secretary)
Mary Wilson
Doris Dawson (who left early)
Carl Prosser
[REDACTED]
Lois Fuller (chairman)
Flora Roberts (who dropped in later)

100- [REDACTED]
100-30622 (VALEDA BRYANT)
100-33524 (MARY WILSON)
100-33801 (DORIS DAWSON)
100-7 (38/136)
100-31182 [REDACTED]
100-22170 (LOIS FULLER)
100-33673 (FLORA ROBERTS)

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"Reports were read and discussed concerning the previous meeting and the program for the following months. Due to the presence of the Trustees in town after a European tour it was thought they might be available for a talk, but due to the fact their names have been mentioned in connection with the SACB hearings regarding the California Labor School it was thought advisable to postpone any possible appearance until the April meeting. So it was agreed that we will continue with the regular schedule of entertainment or programming of the meetings through the February meetings. As they stand at present the regular meeting will take place February 14 at the regular place with an additional meeting held at the South Palo Alto Library on February 27 with Reverend Fritchman as the speaker. At the next meeting of the club committee will be appointed to handle such items as the clean up, arrangements and a fire committee to provide wood for a fire in the fireplace. The next meeting will feature Doris Dawson in a talk concerning Kenya and South Africa.

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"Protocol at meetings was discussed in view of the fact the club has a rule against outside organizations making pitches as the American Russian Institute managed to get a few plugs in for their pamphlets at the previous club meeting. In the future any organization desiring to make a pitch will have to clear it with the chairman before the meeting. Another point brought up was the introduction of new members at the meetings (by introduction I mean bringing them into the meetings) The name of [redacted] was introduced, from the discussion I gathered she came well recommended and had made a sufficiently good impression so that she will be doing an article for Flashlight in the near future. Free remarks dropped II gathered she is from Stanford, but in what capacity I do not know.

"Some discussion was held as to Jonathon Roswell, the publicity chairman for the club. It seems the meetings were purposely changed to permit him to attend, but there has been a conflict in his plans so that he can't attend the meetings, and not too much publicity.

SF 100-31837
TFW:akw

"While discussing the financial situation the subject of a potluck dinner was brought up. It is possible that a potluck dinner will be arranged for at the April meeting when the Trustees are to be the sponsors.

/s/ [redacted] = b7D
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ACTION: No Action.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SF (100-3730)

DATE: 2-6-56

FROM: SA RICHARD H. NELSON

SUBJECT: CP, SANTA CLARA COUNTY
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DOCUMENTATION

[] 1-25-56 2-1-56 RICHARD H. []
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Following is a portion of a report received from informant concerning a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Communist Party, Santa Clara County. The meeting was held at the home of [] [] Saratoga, California.

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"Wednesday the 25th I took [] ELIZABETH NICOLAS, HELEN MANNING and [] to the county committee which was held at Lyle's house. There was no one there from the state. [] [] and [] (she is on now that [] is off). Most of the discussion was around the campaign for [] for city council. It seems he has the party's full backing in San Jose. We were given tickets to try to sell here at \$3.50 per !!! [] said that she and [] didn't want to be the only anglos there. The tickets are for a kick-off dinner, Germania Hall 261 N 2nd St., S.J.,

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1 cc: []

100-29725 []
100-14118 (ELIZABETH NICHOLAS)
100-35053 (HELEN MANNING)
100-35134 []
100-26419 []
100-5867 []
100-37152 []
100-27926 []
100-23999 []
100-27806 (YOUTH MATTERS)
134-7 (KARL RUSSIAN)
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Feb. 18th. HELEN gave a report on the youth situation here. There is to be a meeting on the youth situation at KARL RUSSIAN house on the 11th. It was planned for the 4th but has been put off due to the dem. convention. Then [] brought up the fact that he wanted a six months leave (I can remember when he said that there was no such thing as a leave) By that time it was late and [] wanted to go home and put of the discussion and [] got mad and said that he had been trying for six months to get off the county com. and he meant business. [] then got mad and said that it was too late and for a little while I thought it might be interesting but ELIZABETH poured oil on troubled waters and got [] to wait till next meeting and it would be the first thing on the agenda. He wants to finish his house and move to Watsonville as soon as he gets rid of his place."

Informant orally furnished the following additional info:

[] is [] [] is now a member of the County Committee supplanting her husband, [] who was removed. Informant had no information as to whether [] candidate for the San Jose City Council, is a Communist. [] according to the informant, is presently Secretary of the CP, Santa Clara County, and has for a number of months been requesting permission to drop that office, and this report is concerning this subject.

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Other information is covered in separate memoranda.

RECOMMENDATION: None

OFFICE MEMORANDUM...UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 01-10-2011 BY 60324 UC/BAW/SAB/DF

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO [REDACTED] DATE: 1/23/56
FROM : SA JOHN E. MC HALE, JR. b7D
SUBJECT: REPORT OF CS SF 2115-S*
(Lot number 15, K 1659 through K 1741)

There are attached to this memo, and to be considered a part of the memo, Photostats of photographs of material relating to CP, District 13, matters and members thereof, which were furnished by CS SF 2115-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on January 12, 1956. (Documentation not necessary)

These Photostats are for filing in the case files of the individuals and organizations concerned therein.

The numbers appearing in the upper right-hand margin of each Photostat represent the numerical order in which the photographs were received.

The source in this case had access to the effects of LISETTE LEVY KUTNICK, 709 Douglass Street, San Francisco, a member of the CP State Security Review Commission, District 13.

The original photographs of this material, received from CS SF 2115-S*, as well as the developed film, will be filed as a bulky exhibit in [REDACTED] b7D

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Anaanalysis of this material can be found in chronological order in [REDACTED] b7D

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

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Occupation: Metallurgist, engineer, and ship
transportation, Iron Company
Organized as a member of the International Union, AFL
Steelworkers (later UAW) (1931-1932)
Background: Chronological history:
18 - Growing up in Detroit, Mich., near Mt. Detroit
1927 - Joined UAW, local 1, Iron Company, near Mt. Detroit, Mich.
1934 - Returned to Detroit, and joined UAW (re-joined), joined the org.
Unit organizer at Briggs Mfg. Unit organizer at Packard Mfg. Unit organizer
at General Motors truck
1937 - Unit organizer DeSoto Motor Car Co., Frs. DeSoto Local Union, C.I.O.
1939 - Reassigned as Pres. of Local (Decision of org. at that time to turn "right"
in pushing certain leadership). Was "left side section organizer of the org.
in Detroit, Mich. and River Rouge, Mich.
1939 - My wife became critically ill with rheumatic fever. She was hospitalized
on Española, New Mex. I left for Española with the consent of the Detroit
Committee (maintaining org. membership) Until April 1941, my occupations were
varied from shop work, book work, accounting, salesman, etc. During the war
I was employed as a metallurgist in several plants on the Coast. Immediately
after the war, I went back to clerical and selling jobs. I became a carpenter
in 1950 and worked as such. I applied for a job as casting inspector at West
inghouse in 1951 and was hired. I was laid off just recently and am once again
working as a carpenter in a tract in Mt. View.

During all these years, since I dropped from the org. (This drop was never official), I have been active to the best of my ability in the struggle against fascism and all of the ugly things it represents. I believe that the only way to intellectually and effectively fight against all of the evils and horrors, capitalist and for the ultimate triumph of socialism is to join the org. and also believe that there are many, many more foreign org. people, who for various logical reasons are not now members, who feel as deeply about things as I do and would join if only asked.(could not name any specific people)

Candidate was interviewed, our recommendation is that he be accepted.

To R. Com.
This is for information & may be
destroyed. Action already taken
& unless opposition will stand.

1/26/56

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SAN FRANCISCO (100-33837)

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-385501)

PALO ALTO PACK CLUB
IS-C; ISA of 1950

Re Buairtel of 1/10/56.

All persons who can testify to the CP membership of the PACP members are current informants, and therefore, their background information is not being furnished as per referenced airtel.

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SP 1740-S, who is a current informant, advised on 1/15/56, that DORIS DAWSON, [REDACTED] KARL PRUSSIAN, and MARY WILSON are CP members.

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[REDACTED] who is a current informant, advised on 1/21/56, that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are CP members.

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It should be noted that [REDACTED] KARL PRUSSIAN, and [REDACTED] are current informants.

[REDACTED] who is a current informant can identify as of 1/22/56, the following persons as Communist Party members: GERTRUDE ADLER, [REDACTED] (former CP member), ISABEL CERNY, DORIS DAWSON, [REDACTED] (former CP member), [REDACTED] (former CP member), [REDACTED] KARL PRUSSIAN, [REDACTED] FLORA ROBERTS (former CP member), EDWARD ALBERT ROSS, and MARY WILSON.

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It should be noted that [REDACTED] is a current paid informant, who was a CP member in the 1930's and 1940's. Informant rejoined the CP as FBI informant in 1951, and is currently a CP member.

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[REDACTED] currently reports on CP activities in Santa Clara County, California, from local up to and including County level. Information furnished includes orders from

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1 100-33837 (PACD)

1 [REDACTED]
1 134-7 (SP 1740-S)
1 [REDACTED]
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State CP level and up to date CP membership lists. Wide CP connections covers several counties in Northern California and informant furnishes considerable information on transfers, new members, etc. of CP in this area. Because of wide CP connections in Santa Clara County, informant currently is able to furnish some information on Labor Youth League activities in that area. Currently reports on the Palo Alto Peace Club (PAPC) and the "Flashlight," official publication of the PAPC, from local up to and including the Executive Board level.

The disclosure of this informant would seriously hamper CP coverage in Santa Clara County and surrounding areas. Because of informant's longtime connections with CP and CP members, informant is well trusted and is highly placed in CP activities. The disclosure of this informant would destroy the only high level source of CP information in that area, as informant is a member of the Executive Board of the Santa Clara County CP.

It is brought to the Bureau's attention that this informant could not be replaced under any circumstances on short notice. Such a replacement would rise to such a similar position only through long and careful planning and training in the Communist Party, which would involve many months and possibly several years, if such a person could be found and properly placed in the CP hierarchy.

It is also brought to the Bureau's attention that.

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DATE 1/3/56
_____ **San Francisco** _____

Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, _____

One hundred twenty-five

no

_____ dollars, and _____ cents,

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(\$ _____), which money is to be paid by me on 1/3/56

SF 1740-S

to _____

for information concerning the case entitled _____

CP USA: IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: _____ Richard H. Wilson
Special Agent

Authority (Date) Bulet 11/25/55

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Receipts Received yes

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W. M. Whelan
SAC Informant's File No. 134-7

124-180

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SA (135-50)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

RE: HROSAB

DATE:

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Rememo 12/24/53 and 5/23/55, which instructs that security informants and confidential sources be contacted and alerted for any indication of unusual interest in the operation of Strategic Air Command Bases, Travis Air Force Base being within this program. These memoranda further instructed that informants were to be recontacted at least every six months with reference to this program. A notation should be made in the file (135-50) reflecting this recontact.

In recontacting informants and sources, extreme care should be used not to pinpoint the operation of this base as being any different than that of any other base, and informant should be instructed to report any unusual interest concerning any military installation.

Informant W-1740-2

Date of Recontact 1/15/56 noted 1-25-56

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENTTO : SAC *Att. Clifford 134-7*DATE: *1/24/56*FROM : SA *R. H. Pearson*SUBJECT: *SF 1740-5*C.I. _____ P.C.I. _____ (S.I.) _____ P.S.I. _____DATES OF CONTACT: *12/24/55, 1/3/56, 1/15/56, 1/24/56*

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

Per 134-7A

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: _____ Positive: _____

PERSONAL DATA: *Per 134-7A*RATING *Exc.*COVERAGE *CP, RAC*

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CITY San Francisco, Calif.

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12/4/55

Request of ^{ASAC} ~~Special Agent in Charge~~, FBI, San Francisco

One hundred

dollars, and no

cents,

(\$ 100.00)

, which money is to be paid by me on 12/4/55

to SF 1740-S

for information concerning the case entitled

CP USA: IS-C SF 100-11689

Signed:

Richard H. Nelson

SFlet 7/27/55

Special Agent

Authority (Date) Bulet 11/25/55

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Receipts Received

yes

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W. M. Wilson

SAC

Informant's File No. 134-7

134-7-181

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (C.H. Clifford) 134-7

DATE: 12/23/55

FROM : SA R.H. Hansen

SUBJECT: SF 174-5

C.I. _____ P.C.I. _____ S.I. _____ P.S.I. _____

DATES OF CONTACT: 12/15/55, 12/18/55

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

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100-30883 Neg 2 phone calls

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

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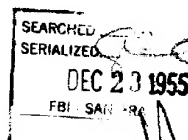
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paid 12/4/55

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, San Francisco (100-33837)
FROM : SA RICHARD H. NELSON
SUBJECT: PALO ALTO PEACE CLUE
IS-C

DATE: 12/16/55

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On 12/2/55 [redacted] furnished a written report b7D
filed in [redacted]

The first part of the report lists the officers and members of the Editorial Board of the PACP as of that time. The rest of the report contains information obtained through contact with various security subjects in the area. The report reads as follows:

"Dec. 1st. '55

"The executive committee of the Palo Alto Peace Club is a self perpetuating group. When some one resigns the ex. com. appoints some one to take the place. There are now no members. Just people who are in sympathy with the program. There is a constitution which was drawn up after the listing. I believe it is patterned after the Russian American Institute in San Francisco.

"The ex. com. consists at present of the following.
ALICE RICAHRDS.....chairman and on the Flashlight com.
VALEDA BRYANT.....corresponding sect. and chairman of the Flashlight com.

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[redacted].....I am not sure just what he is supposed to be doing.
JONATHAN ROWELL....publicity
LOIS FULLER.....recording sect.
MARY WILSON.....treasurer
[redacted].....financial assistant ?
DORIS DAWSON.....program chairman
[redacted].....mimeograph and cartoonist for Flashlight
KARL PRUSSIAN..... ? (not attended lately)
FLORA ROBERTS.....whose duties I am not quite sure of. Some times acts as corresponding sect.

"The Flashlight com. consists of ALICE RICHARDS, VALEDA BRYAND [redacted] and DAVE ALLEN. People to write articles are called in. People who attend the open meetings are called in to mail out the paper once a month.

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RHN:hiw
SF 100-33837

"DOTIS DAWSON told me this morning that the other morning when some people were at FLORA's house doing some mailing that two men called on VALEDA (she is living at FLORA's). They told her that they were making a yearly check on policy holders of the Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. She let them in to FLORA's living room and they asked her some questions including some remarks on what the people were doing there (addressing the Flashlight) then left. When FLORA came home (she was out at the time) she told VALEDA that she had no policy the Met. Life Ins. Co. DORIS also told me that her daughter is applying for citizenship the one who works in the Anglo California Bank in Palo Alto. She is a little worried for fear she will be interviewed by the F.B.I. but expects to be. She said that she intends to tell about her activities in the Peace Club ' cause that is known anyway.

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"There is to be a Peoples' world meeting at [redacted] house this Friday in connection with the comming sub. drive. I don't know who is to come from the city.

"The last time I was at [redacted]'s house in Santa Cruz I picked up a pencil in the yard which had the name Camera Center, 50E 4th San Mateo on it. Since that place seems to be such a gathering place I brpught the pencil along and have been meaning to give it to you and keep forgetting."

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References in the above report to FLORA is to FLORA ROBERTS and VALEDA is Mrs. VALEDA BRYANT. [redacted] of DORIS DAWSON referred to is [redacted] and a copy is designated for her file. Reference to [redacted] is to [redacted] who is known to informant as a member of the CP and leader of the CP, Santa Cruz County. Informant had no further information at the time.

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RECOMMENDATION: Identify the ownership of the Camera Center, 50 East Fourth Street, San Mateo, and obtain from [redacted] a written report elaborating on the statement that this is "such a gathering place."

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cc: 100-33837 (PAPC)

[REDACTED]
100-22992 (ALICE RICHARDS)
100-30622 (VALEDA BRYANT)
100-31482 [REDACTED]
100-11873 (JONATHAN ROWELL)
100-22170 (LOIS FULLER)
100-33524 (MARY WILSON)
134--645 [REDACTED]
100-33801 (DORIS DAWSON)
134--7 (KARL PRUSSIAN)
100-33673 (FLORA ROBERTS)
100-33866 (DAVID ALLEN)
100-38956 [REDACTED]
97-27 (DPW)
100-1359 [REDACTED]

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Request of ^{ASAC} Special Agent in Charge, FBI, San Francisco

Seventy-five dollars, and no cents,

(\$ 75.00), which money is to be paid by me on 11/1/55

to SF 1740-S

for information concerning the case entitled CP USA: IS-C SF 100-11889

CP USA: IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: [Signature]
Special Agent

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APPROVED:

W. M. White

SAC

Informant's File No. 154-7

154-7-176

SAC, SF (100-3730)

11-10-55

SA RICHARD H. NELSON

CP, SANTA CLARA COUNTY
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DOCUMENTATION

[REDACTED] 10-28-55 11-4-55 RICHARD H. [REDACTED]
NELSON

Following is a report of a meeting of the extended County
Committee of the CP, Santa Clara County, held at the home of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Saratoga, California, on the above date:

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"Nov. 3rd.

"Oct. 28th. Extended county committee at [REDACTED]
house. Those attending were KARL RUSSIAN, [REDACTED] ED ROSS, ED
BECKS, [REDACTED] FRANK FULLER, [REDACTED]
And [REDACTED] OLETA YATES and a young man called [REDACTED] were there from
the State. The discussion centered on the problem of concentration.
The San Jose group had worked hard and presented a plan to have three
groups, one to concentrate on the Ford Plant, one on work in the
NAACP and on the food processing industry. OLETA said that the plan
was not correct. That an entire group must not concentrate on one
place. That they must try to work things out in another way. [REDACTED]
was fit to be tied. [REDACTED] said that we "the northern end"
should have as a major concentration Westinghouse. I said that that
was totally unrealistic. So we are still unconcentrated. We dis-
cussed the local electronic plants, but we came to no conclusions.
So now we have to get together again next Sunday at ten, same place.
"....."

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cc: [REDACTED]

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100-26419 [REDACTED]
131-7 (KARL RUSSIAN)
100-35134 [REDACTED]
100-36705 (ED ROSS)
100-31466 (ED BECKS)
100-23999 [REDACTED]
100-37152 [REDACTED]
100-22169 (FRANK L. FULLER)
100-29725 [REDACTED]
61-4114 (OLETA YATES)
100-26056 [REDACTED]

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Informant orally explained the above report as follows: He viewed a photograph of [redacted] and identified him as the individual mentioned in the report as "[redacted]". Informant explained that OLETA was very critical of the concentration plan submitted by the Santa Clara County CP since the plan placed most emphasis on the Food Processing industry giving lesser attention to Ford Plant and Westinghouse. Informant stated that it was pointed out to OLETA that the CP has no members presently in Westinghouse and has only two members at Ford. Eight members are in various phases of the Food Processing industry, and Santa Clara County felt that its concentration should therefore be in that area. Informant expressed the opinion that OLETA YATES will not accept this, and that the CP will be instructed to concentrate on Ford and Westinghouse.

Informant stated that there were no members in the electronics industry in this area, but that the Party hopes to reach these people as well as other points of concentration through activities in social groups or other groups wherein they can associate with workers in these industries.

This report set forth other information which is being made the subject of another memo.

RECOMMENDATION: File

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